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Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" May I enquire whether the settlement officers are going to publish reports from time to time of their operations so that the public may know of the progress they are making ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL :—" Settlement officers do not publish reports, but when the reports are received by Government they will decide whether the reports should be published or not."

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" Have the Government received any reports at all ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL :—" I must ask for notice."

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" May I know whether the Government have laid down any principles as to the rates of increase that should be paid after the resettlement ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL :—" I must ask for notice of the question."

Village Establishments

Jamabandi allowances to village officers in ryotwari areas.

*79 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : With reference to my question No. 1673, answered on 11th March 1929, will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state whether the Government have come to any decision regarding the giving of jamabandi allowances to village officers in ryotwari areas ?

A.—The question has not yet been settled as the financial results of the restoration of the village officers have not yet been finally worked out.

Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—" May I know by which time approximately Government expect to work out the financial results of the restoration of the villagers ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL :—" I cannot give a definite answer."

Wild Animals

Rewards for killing wild animals in South Kanara.

*80 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many cattle have been killed by wild animals in South Kanara in 1927 and in 1928 ;

(b) what is the total amount of rewards given for killing tigers in 1927 and in 1928 ;

(c) what is the amount of reward given at present for killing a tiger and whether a larger sum was given at any time in previous years ; and

(d) if so, why it has been reduced now ?

	Year.	Number of cattle killed.
A.—(a)	1927	4,516
	1928	Figures not available.

	Year	Amount of rewards given in the South Kanara district.
		RS.
(b)	1927	441
	1928	360

(c) & (d) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to Board's Standing Order No. 196, paragraph 1. There has been no reduction by the Government in recent years in the scale of rewards.

Mr. A. B. Shetty :—" May I know why with regard to 1928 figures are not available ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" No report has been received."

Mr. K. R. Karant :—" May I know what steps are being taken to stop this terrible loss year after year ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" The Government give rewards for the destruction of certain wild animals and also have permitted the villagers to have access to the forests in certain seasons of the year."

Mr. J. A. Saldanha :—" May I enquire whether it is a fact that the forests in South Kanara are so dense that they are impenetrable ? "

The hon. the President :—" It is asking for an opinion."

Mr. K. R. Karant :—" As the number of deaths is still increasing, may I know what further steps do the Government propose to take to reduce the number ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" I must ask for notice of the question."

Civil Justice

Alleged inconveniences of jurors and assessors.

* 81 Q.—Mr. J. A. Saldanha : With reference to the inconveniences to which jurors and assessors are put to as specified in representations already made and the assurances given during the Budget debates on 19th March last, will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether the High Court have reported on the subject ; and

(b) what action Government have taken thereon ?

A.—(a) & (b) The High Court's reply is awaited.

Proposed direct recruitment of District and Subordinate Judges.

* 82 Q.—Mr. S. Satyamurti : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to create new additional District Judgeships, for which there will be direct recruitment ; or

(b) whether there is any proposal to directly recruit to Sub-Judges' places ;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor ; and

(d) whether in making such appointments the claims of those already in service will be strictly kept in mind ; and if not, why not ?

A.—(a) No.

(b) The hon. Member is referred to the answer to question No. 365 ; given at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on 8th October 1928.

(c) & (d) Do not arise.